BEFORE THE

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 503

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served July 9, 1965

Special Evaluation of the Accounts) of D. C. Transit System, Inc.,) Washington, D. C., and WMA Transit) Company, Bardbury Heights, Maryland.)

The Commission is responsible for making certifications to the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia under the Laws pertaining to schoolfare subsidies, fuel tax exemption, and real estate tax exemption. These Laws apply to D. C. Transit System, Inc.; the schoolfare subsidy Law also applies to WMA Transit Company. The Commission, by Order No. 199, served September 17, 1962, first determined that it was necessary for its staff to make a special evaluation of the accounts of these carriers before making said certification, and that such evaluation would entail expenses subject to Section 19(a), Article XII, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Regulation Compact. At that time, the Commission assessed subject carriers an amount estimated to cover the expenses of said evaluation.

By Order No. 372, served July 20, 1964, the Commission assessed the carriers \$10,000, to cover the period July 1, 1964, through June 30, 1965, of which there is a balance of \$527.93 remaining as of June 30, 1965.

It is the opinion of the Commission that an additional assessment of \$10,500 is a proper amount to cover the expense of said evaluation estimated to be incurred in the period July 1, 1965, through June 30, 1966.

Further, it is the opinion of the Commission, based on audit time required, that eighty-five percent (85%) of the cost should be borne by D. C. Transit System, Inc., and fifteen percent (15%) by WMA Transit Company.

and ramp to 12th Street Bridge, continue north over 12th Street Bridge, and 12th Street, west on M Street, north on 9th Street, west on Virginia Avenue, south on 8th Street and east on Potomac Avenue to the terminal west of 9th Street, S. E.

Generally, the reasons given for these requests are inadequate ridership and insufficient monetary return, and the allegation that late night service is conducive to robberies and vandalism.

The Attorney of Record in this matter is John R. Sims, Jr., 3600 M Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

The Commission is of the opinion that a public hearing is required in these matters.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That these matters be, and are hereby, consolidated and set for hearing on Tuesday, August 3, 1965, at 9:30 A. M., at the offices of the Commission, 1815 North Fort Myer Drive, Arlington, Virginia.
- 2. That applicant publish notice of the applications, and time and place of hearing thereon, in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, once, at least twenty (20) days prior to the said hearing.
- 3. That anyone desiring to protest these applications shall do so, in writing, to the Commission, with a copy to the Attorney of Record, at least five (5) days prior to said Tuesday, August 3, 1965.

FOR THE COMMISSION

DELMER ISON

Executive Director